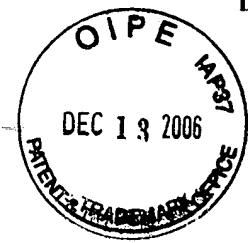


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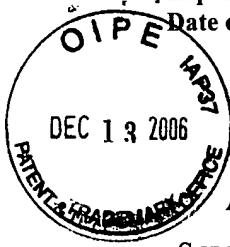
Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application are the following documents:

1. Communication Regarding Entity Status (3 pages);
2. Check No. 23488 as payment for adjusted fees for large entity status; and
3. Return Postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to the deposit account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, referencing Attorney Docket No. 23239-531 CIP. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMUNICATION REGARDING ENTITY STATUS

Applicants, in good faith and without any deceptive intent, established small entity status in the above-identified application and paid fees as a small entity. However, Applicants have since discovered that small entity status was established in error in the instant application. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)(1)-(c)(2), Applicants submit herein an itemization and deficiency payment resulting from the previous payment of small entity fees.

**Itemization of the Deficiency Payment** is presented on page 2 of this paper

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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**Itemization of the Deficiency Payment:**

| Type of Fee   | Current Fee Amount for Non-Small Entity | Small Entity Fee Actually Paid | Date of Payment | Deficiency Owed   |
|---|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Basic Filing Fee  | \$790.00                                | \$385.00                       | April 15, 2004  | \$405.00          |
| Utility Search Fee  | \$500.00                                | \$0                            |                 | \$500.00          |
| Utility Examination Fee   | \$200.00                                | \$0                            |                 | \$200.00          |
| Utility Application Size fee (Specification, Figures and Sequence Listing, 103 pages total) | \$250.00                                | \$0                            |                 | \$250.00          |
| Surcharge - Late Filing Fee or Oath or Declaration  | \$130.00                                | \$65.00                        | August 2, 2004  | \$65.00           |
| <b>Total Deficiency Payment Owed:</b>   |   |                                |                 | <b>\$1,420.00</b> |

### REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)(1)-(c)(2), Applicants submit herein an itemization and deficiency payment resulting from the previous payment of small entity fees. Applicants submit herewith a check in the amount of \$1,420.00 to cover the deficiency payment.

Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 23239-531 CIP).

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

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